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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Pierre J. ARQUIN, *et al.*

APPLICATION NO.: Unassigned

FILED: June 26, 2003

FOR: **GAS PURIFICATION SYSTEM WITH AN  
INTEGRATED HYDROGEN SORPTION  
AND FILTER ASSEMBLY**

EXAMINER: Unknown

ART UNIT: 1724

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**Transmittal of Continuation Patent Application  
for Filing Under 37 CFR §1.53(b)**

**Mail Stop Patent Application  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450**

Sir: Transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application by inventors: Pierre J. Arquin, Nels W. Lindahl, and Mark A. Canaan, entitled:

**GAS PURIFICATION SYSTEM WITH AN INTEGRATED HYDROGEN  
SORPTION AND FILTER ASSEMBLY**

1. Enclosed are:

- ☒ One stamped, self-addressed postcard for PTO datestamp.
- ☒ Certificate of Express Mail.
- ☒ One utility patent application containing text pages 1-36 and
  - ☒ Eight (8) Sheets of drawings.
- ☒ A Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney (copy).
- ☐ Sequence listing printout, diskette, and matching declaration.
- ☐ Sheets of formal drawings.
- ☒ A Preliminary Amendment.
- ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement, Form 1449, and references (if appropriate)

2. Amendment

- ☒ Please enter the enclosed Preliminary Amendment before calculating the filing fee. It is understood that only amendments reducing the number of claims will be entered for this purpose.
- ☐ Please cancel original claims , inclusive, before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim should be retained for filing purposes.)

3. Extension of Time

☐ A petition for extension of time has been filed in the parent to extend the pendency of the parent to (copy enclosed).

☒ Conditional Petition for Extension of Time: An Extension of Time is requested to provide for timely filing *if* required to establish copendency with the parent after all papers filed herewith have been considered.

4. U.S. Priority

☒ This application is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 09/614,649 filed July 12, 2000, which claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) to U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/143,377, filed July 12, 1999, both are incorporated herein in their entirety by reference.

5. Foreign Priority

☐ Priority of Application No. «SerialNo» filed in on is claimed under 35 USC §119.

☐ A certified copy of this priority document is enclosed.

6. Prior Documents Still In Effect

☒ This application and parent application, Application No. 09/614,649, filed July 12, 2000 are assigned of record to SAES Pure Gas, Inc., as recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 011217 and Frame 0992.

☐ Power of Attorney in the above-identified prior application is to , Reg. No. , and the other attorneys or agents identified therein.

7. Entity Status

☒ Large entity status applies to this application.

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR §1.27

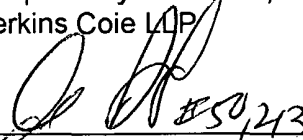
8. Fees

The filing fee has been calculated taking into account any amendments in section 2 above:

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| Total Claims   | 10 - 20               |                       | x \$ 9 =     | \$       | or | x \$ 18 =                 | \$ 0.00  |
| Independent Claims   | 1 - 3                 |                       | x \$42 =     | \$       | or | x \$ 84 =                 | \$ 0.00  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Dependent Claim Presented          |                       |                       | + \$140 =    | \$       | or | + \$280 =                 | \$ 0.00  |
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- ☐ **\*Filing fee to be submitted in response to anticipated receipt of Notice to File Missing Parts. DO NOT CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT.**

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